

SENATE BILL 1212

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AN ACT to name a road in Bedford County in honor of the
Helen J. Brown.

WHEREAS, Helen J. Brown has served the citizens of Tennessee since 1969 at the
Tennessee Fire School at Old Fort Parkway in Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, Helen J. Brown served at the Tennessee Fire School until it closed in 2001;
and

WHEREAS, she served as the liaison between firefighters and instructors for many
years; and

WHEREAS, not only does she organize classes in Tennessee, Helen J. Brown helped
tremendously with "Tennessee Week-end" held at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg,
Maryland; and

WHEREAS, due to her tireless efforts, many of Tennessee's firefighters are well trained
and ready to save lives; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting to recognize her exemplary service of thirty-two (32) years to the
citizens of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the road between the
Tennessee Fire Service Codes and Enforcement Academy Administration Building and the
Tennessee Fire Service Codes and Enforcement Fire Station is hereby designated as the
"Helen J. Brown Boulevard" in recognition of the outstanding dedication of this industrious public
servant.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the road described in Section 1 as the "Helen J. Brown Boulevard".

SECTION 3. The erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5. This act shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation from non-state funds within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for such signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department in non-state funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.